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Dear Marina,

"Finding faith in all mankind" is not likely in the real world but to learn "how to find Joy and trust ~~an~~ in one another" is possible and is to be hoped for.

Thanks for your card and your good wishes.

An update on your persecutor Mailer. He had agreed to speak at the convention of the Coalition on Political Assassinations in Washington in October. When he heard they were giving me an award, he assumed I'd be there to accept it and refused to be there. His explanation is that I'd insulted him.

I had used some strong language in referring to ~~Schiller~~ Schiller but not to him. I'd asked him how much Schiller got gypped out of by the Minsk KGB. He did not respond.

I did not tell him I was writing a book for the record for history.

I finished that mansucript some time ago. It is long! And detailed!

If by any chance those you knew in what my parents used to refer to as "the old country" heard what Mailer said in his book I'd like to know.

Best wishes for the holiday and for the coming year.

Harold